

# John Muir Parkway Extension, Phase II For the Air Quality Conformity Task Force

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# **Project Description**

- Realign Concord Avenue, west of existing location, extending Briones Valley Road to connect with Concord Avenue, approximately 1,600 feet.
- Alignment is required because State Route Highway 4 displaced this portion of Concord Avenue in 2009.
- Provide two 14 feet travel and 6 feet bike lanes (one in each direction), curb and gutter, a center median of 16 feet and 5 feet wide sidewalk on one side.
- Improve existing Concord Avenue to a linear course with gentler slopes and travel operations.
- Will not increase roadway capacity beyond existing.

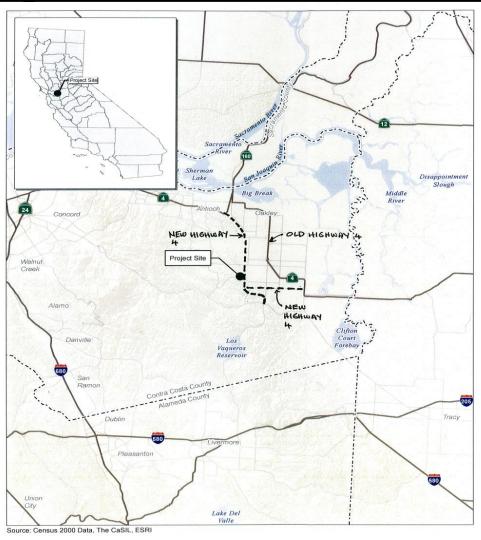
# **Project Status**

- CEQA process approved in 2008 using local funds.
- Federal funds for construction included in Project in 2010.
- Project has been designed and is ready for construction.
- NEPA process in final stages of approval by April 2015.
- Construction scheduled for FY 2015/2016.

# Purpose and Need

- To replace a portion of roadway previously removed by construction of State Route 4.
- Remove an existing winding portion of Concord Avenue.
- Improve accessibility between Fairview Avenue/Vineyards and John Muir Parkway/Balfour Road.
- Improve bicycle and pedestrian safety and access.

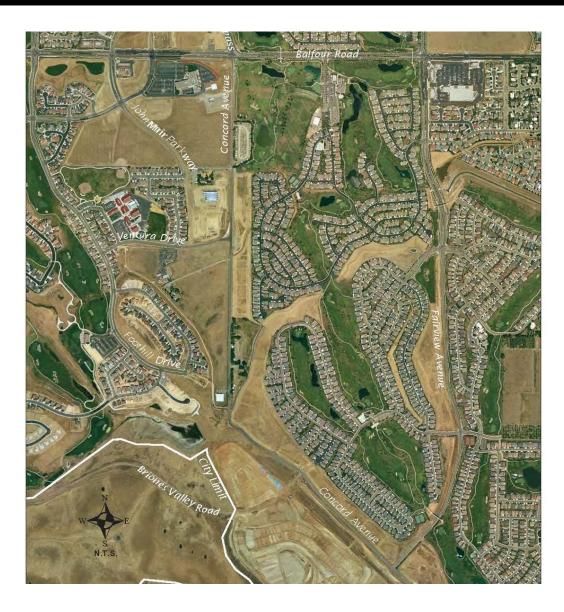
# **Regional Location Map**



# **Local Vicinity Map**



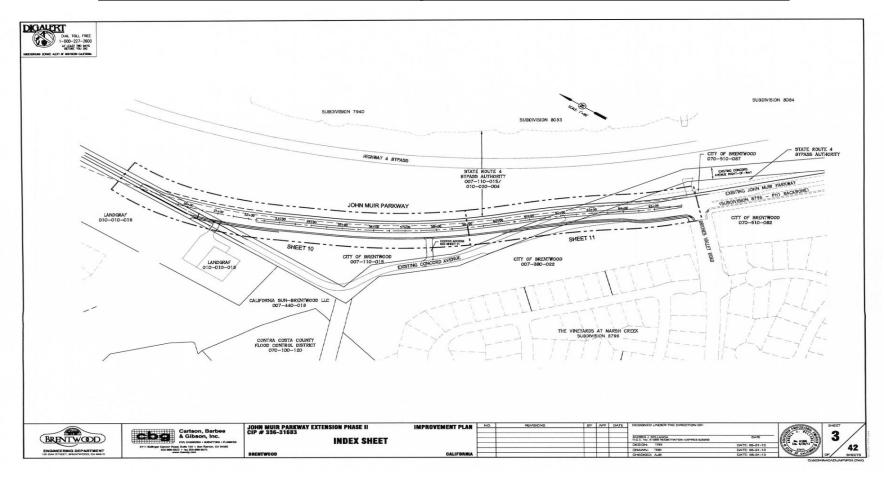
# **Concord Avenue in 2005**



# Proposed Realignment of John Muir Parkway connecting to Concord Avenue



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### **Land Use/Traffic Generators**

- The project location is in the southwest quadrant of the City of Brentwood.
- The surrounding area is mainly open grassland with State Route Highway 4 to the east and an olive grove/vineyards/grassland to the west.
- This area is not zoned for any development in Brentwood's General Plan.
- The southerly area serves mainly senior and active adult communities.

# **Project Exhibits**





Photo 1 – Looking south from northerly connection terminus.

Photo 2 – Looking south. Curved section of roadway will be removed.

# **Project Exhibits**





Photo 3 – Looking north from southerly connection point

Photo 4 – Looking north. Curved section of roadway will be removed.

# **Traffic Volumes**

Average Daily Trips (ADT)									
John Muir Parkway/Concord Avenue	Existing (2014)	Projected (2016)							
Northbound Lane	545	650							
Southbound Lane	485	550							
Total Both Lanes	1030	1200							

# **Level of Service (LOS)**

John Muir Parkway/Concord Avenue Traffic Counts and Level of Service between Briones Valley Road and Ventura Drive										
			Northbound Lane		Southbound Lane		e	Damada		
Year	Total AADT	Truck AADT	Total AADT	Truck AADT	LOS	Total AADT	Truck AADT	LOS	Remarks	
Mar. 2008	5610	280 (5%)	2960	148 (5%)	В	2650	132 (5%)	R	Old Concord Avenue was a regional arterial street connecting Contra Costa and Alameda Counties and beyond.	
Oct. 2008	785	0	460	0	А	325	0	Α	Concord Avenue became a local collector street after Highway 4 is opened.	
Dec. 2014	1030	0	545	0	А	485	0	Α	Concord Avenue now a local collector street with traffic counts done on December 4 and 5, 2014.	
2016	1200	0	650	0	А	550	0	Α	Concord Avenue (Future John Muir Parkway) projected traffic counts for 2016.	

#### Not a Project of Air Quality Concern

- Not a new or expanded highway project.
- Realignment of existing roadway.
- Percentage of vehicle count has decreased by more than 80% since Highway 4 was opened.
- No trucks are allowed.
- Promoting walking and cycling with new sidewalk and bike lane connections.
- Improving safer road conditions.
  - Removal of existing road curvatures providing a linear alignment and gentler slopes.
  - Addition of a new sidewalk on one side.
  - Construction of a 16' wide central median.
  - Construction of curb and gutter.
  - Construction of a 14' wide lane and a 6' wide bike lane (one in each direction).